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Secretary Dan Glickman, USDA 1400 Independence Ave. SW Washington, DC 20250

Dear Secretary Glickman:

While I strongly support a careful review of the approval process for biotech products in our food supply, in light of long term environmental and health safety issues, I encourage you to support mandatory, rather than voluntary, industry labeling of foods containing genetically engineered ingredients.

Consumers have a right to know and choose what is in our food, and the companies who grow, create, and supply food products should be required to inform us of all the ingredients they contain, transgenic or not.

Please write and let me know what you are doing to stop the growing number of foods and food products appearing in our groceries containing unlabeled biotech ingredients.

Sincerely, - Welley Swith

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